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2. FOLLOWING IS THE AUGUST 16 DAILY RWANDA/BURUNDI
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3. BEGIN TEXT:

RWANDA/BURUNDI SITUATION REPORT

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 1994 AT 1400 HOURS

RWANDAN PRESIDENT SAYS FRENCH TROOPS MUST LEAVE:
PRESIDENT BIZIMUNGU TOLD SRSG KHAN AUGUST 16 THAT THE
RWANDAN GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT PERMIT FRENCH TROOPS TO
REMAIN AFTER AUGUST 22. KHAN TOLD CHARGE LEADER THAT HE

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CONSIDERS THIS A DEFINITIVE NO. HOWEVER, WE HAVE
INSTRUCTED LEADER TO URGE THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT AGAIN TO
AGREE TO ALLOW THE FRENCH TO STAY ON.
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SRSG KHAN OFFERS SIX-POINT PLAN TO STOP REFUGEE FLOW:
SEEING LITTLE HOPE FOR A CONTINUED FRENCH PRESENCE, KHAN
IS PROPOSING A SIX-POINT PLAN TO PRE-EMPT AN EXODUS FROM
THE SAFE ZONE:

--UNAMIR WILL REPLACE THE FRENCH FORCE MAN-FOR-MAN,
DRAWING ON THE NEWLY-ARRIVED ETHIOPIAN AND GHANAIA
CONTINGENTS, PLUS FRANCOPHONE AFRICAN TROOPS CONVERTED
FROM OPERATION TURQUOISE;

--AID DELIVERIES WILL BE COORDINATED WITH THE ARRIVAL OF
UNAMIR FORCES IN ORDER TO ASSOCIATE THE PRESENCE OF
TROOPS WITH TANGIBLE RELIEF BENEFITS;

--NGO'S WILL SATURATE THE SAFE ZONE, TO INCREASE THE
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VISIBILITY OF A REASSURING INTERNATIONAL PRESENCE;

--THE RWANDAN GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE ITS PUBLIC AFFAIRS
CAMPAIGN TO PERSUADE DISPLACED PERSONS THAT IT IS SAFE TO
RETURN HOME;

--UNAMIR WILL PROVIDE SUPPORT AND PROTECTION FOR REFUGEE
REPRESENTATIVES TO VISIT THEIR HOME AREAS AND THEN REPORT
BACK TO THE CAMPS ON SECURITY CONDITIONS; AND

--UNAMIR WILL TRY TO OBTAIN MOBILE BROADCASTING TRUCKS TO
AIR RADIO PROGRAMS THAT WILL COUNTERACT THE HATE
CAMPAIGNS OF HUTU EXTREMIST STATIONS.
(8/16 LEADER/AISTON TELCON)

RELIEF AGENCIES TO CHANNEL REFUGEES TO BUGARAMA: IN
THEIR CONTINGENCY PLANNING FOR A NEW EXODUS FROM THE SAFE
ZONE, RELIEF AGENCIES PROPOSE TO CHANNEL DISPLACED
PERSONS TO BUGARAMA IN THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF RWANDA.
IF REFUGEES THEN CROSS THE BORDER INTO ZAIRE, THEY ARE
LIKELY TO MOVE INTO THE RUZISI PLAIN, WHICH IS MORE
ACCESSIBLE TO RELIEF EFFORTS THAN BUKAVU.
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ETHIOPIAN TROOPS ARRIVE IN KIGALI: ETHIOPIA DEPLOYED 120 PERSONNEL AND SIX PATROL VEHICLES TO KIGALI AUGUST 15, WITH AN ADDITIONAL 275 MEN AND 5 VEHICLES SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE AUGUST 16. A FURTHER LIFT OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT IS SCHEDULED FOR LATER IN THE WEEK. CHARGE LEADER REPORTS THAT ETHIOPIAN FORCES WHICH LANDED IN KIGALI ARE ALREADY EN ROUTE TO THE SAFE ZONE. (USDAO ADDIS ABABA IIR 6 830

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